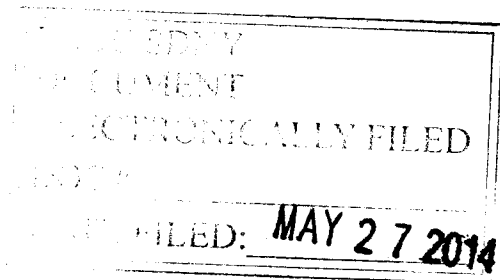


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: 13 Cr. 213  
JULIO SANTANA JOSEPH, *et al.*, :  
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: Defendants. :  
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SO ORDERED:

THE HONORABLE ~~GABRIEL W. GORENSTEIN~~  
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

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May 27, 2013

**BY HAND**

The Honorable Gabriel W. Gorenstein  
United States Magistrate Judge  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Julio Santana Joseph, et al.*,  
13 Cr. 213

Dear Judge Gorenstein:

The above-referenced Indictment, which charges twenty-one defendants in three counts arising from their participation in an impersonation and extortion scheme, was returned by a grand jury on March 20, 2013, and remains under seal. The Government recently learned of the arrests of approximately 17 of the defendants by authorities in the Dominican Republic, which arrests were carried out at the request of the United States. In anticipation of additional proceedings in the United States in this matter, the Government respectfully requests that the Court enter an order, in the form enclosed, unsealing the charges against the defendants. The Government also respectfully requests that this case be assigned to a District Judge.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure